

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
REGULATORY REFORM**

Tuesday, July 24, 2007

12:00 P.M.

Room 308 House Office Building

Representative Farrah, chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Farrah, Scott, Virgil Smith, Wojno, Marleau, Palsrok, Gaffney, Ward. (8/9)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Rep. Meadows. (1/9)

Representative Farrah, chair, laid **HR 158** and **HCR 39** before the committee.

HR 158 Farrah A resolution to concur in a tribal-state gaming compact between the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan (the Gun Lake Band) and the State of Michigan and signed on May 9, 2007.

HCR 39 Farrah A concurrent resolution to concur in a tribal-state gaming compact between the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan (the Gun Lake Band) and the State of Michigan and signed on May 9, 2007.

D.K. Sprague, Chairman on the Gun Lake Tribe, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Conley Shulte, Legal Council for the Gun Lake Tribe, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

John Wernet, Deputy Legal Counsel, State of Michigan Governor's Office, testified before the committee.

Senator Patty Birkholz testified before the committee in opposition to **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Senator Mark Jansen testified before the committee in opposition to **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Rusty Merchant, representing 23 Is Enough, testified before the committee in opposition to **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Roger VanVolkinburg, representing Wayland Township, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Larry Orlowski, representing the Deputy Sheriffs Association, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Kevin McCarthy, representing the Kalamazoo Regional Chamber of Commerce, testified before the committee in support of **HCR 39**.

Senator Gerald VanWoerkom testified before the committee in opposition to **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Hugh Coward, representing the Southwest Michigan Building Trades Council, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Buckley Geno, representing the West Michigan Plumbers, Fitters and Service Traders, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Tom Chappell, representing the Michigan State Pipe Trades, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Rich Osrizovich, representing the Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Local 357, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Marcia Halloran, representing Friends of Gun Lake Indians, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Judith A. Bott, representing Friends of Gun Lake Indians, testified before the committee in support of **HR 158**.

Nadine Nosal, representing the International Union, UAW, testified before the committee in opposition to **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

Dia Pearce, representing Unite Here, testified before the committee on **HR 158** and **HCR 39**.

The following people submitted testimony cards in support of the legislation but did not wish to speak:

Dawn Krauss, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Jason Palmer, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Lorraine Shananaquet, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Coleen Nessmen, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Dawn Lenger, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Melissa Brown, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Phyllis Davis, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

Leah Fodor, representing the Gun Lake Tribe.

John Shagonaby, Vice-Chair of the Gun Lake Tribe.

Sheryl Hamilton, City of Wayland Council Person.

Patricia Staley, Wayland Township Trustee.

Ann Kilmartin, representing the Allegan Tourist Council.
Martin Dodge, representing the Kalamazoo Regional Chamber of Commerce.
Sheriff Blaine Koops, representing the Allegan County Sheriff's Office.
Frank Baker, representing the Deputy Sheriff's Association.
Patrick Klocke, representing the Southwest Michigan Building Trades Council

Representative Wojno moved to report **HR 158** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Farrah, Virgil Smith, Wojno, Palsrok, Gaffney, Ward. (6/9)

NAYS: None. (0/9)

PASS: Reps. Scott, Marleau. (2/9)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Wojno moved to report **HCR 39** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Farrah, Virgil Smith, Wojno, Palsrok, Gaffney, Ward. (6/9)

NAYS: None. (0/9)

PASS: Reps. Scott, Marleau. (2/9)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Virgil Smith moved to adopt the minutes from the June 5, 2007 meeting. No objections being made, the minutes were adopted.

Representative Palsrok moved to excuse absent members. No objections being made, absent members were excused.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 1:25 p.m.

Representative Barbara Farrah, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070